We Claim:

1. A method of cleaning a surface on to which a polymeric film of acrylates copolymer has formed upon evaporation of solvent from an aqueous composition containing said polymer, the method comprising:

   (a) incorporating a phosphate ester surfactant in said compositions during its preparation, and

   (b) washing the hard surface with a cleaning composition to substantially remove said polymeric film.

2. The method of Claim 1 in which the surface is selected from the group consisting of glass and metal.

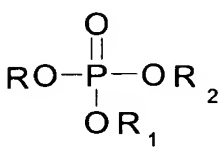
3. The method of Claim 2 wherein the surface is metal.

4. The method of Claim 3 wherein the surface is steel.

5. The method of Claim 4 wherein the surface is stainless steel.

6. The method of Claim 5 in which the composition comprises hydrogen peroxide and has an acidic pH.

7. A method of cleaning a stainless surface used in the manufacture, transfer and storage of aqueous acidic compositions containing acrylates copolymer and an oxidizing agent and to which surface said polymer has formed an adherent film, the method comprising



   (a) incorporating a phosphate ester surfactant of the formula I

wherein R, R^1 and R^2 may be hydrogen, an alkyl of from 1 to about 22 carbons, or an alkoxylated alkyl of from 1 to about 22 carbons and having 1 or to about 25 moles ethylene oxide, with the proviso that at least one of R, R^1 and R^2 is an alkyl or alkoxylated alkyl as previously defined but having at least 6 alkyl carbons in said alkyl or alkoxylated alkyl group, and

(b) washing the metal surface with a cleaning composition to substantially remove said film.

8. The method of Claim 7 wherein the oxidizing agent is hydrogen peroxide.

9. The method of Claim 7 wherein the cleaning composition is an alkaline solution having a pH of from about 8 to about 10.

10. The method of Claim 9 wherein the cleaning composition is applied under moderate pressure of from about 20 to 40 psig.

11. A developer composition comprising on a weight basis by weight of the composition:

(a) from about 1 to about 15% of a hydrogen peroxide oxidizing agent;

(b) from about 0.1 to 15% by weight of a phosphate ester surfactant,

(c) from about 0.1 to about 10% of acrylates copolymer; and

(d) water,

said composition having an acidic pH, whereby polymeric films formed upon evaporation of said composition are more easily removed from a surface to which the film adheres.

12. The composition of Claim 11 wherein the pH is from about 2.5 to about 6.5.

13. The composition of Claim 11 further comprising an organic cosolvent selected from the group consisting of C_2 to C_6 mono- and polyhydric alcohols.

14. The composition of Claim 11 wherein the phosphate ester surfactant is selected from the group consisting of C12-16 Pareth-6 Phosphate, C8-10 Alkyl Ethyl Phosphate, C9-15 Alkyl Phosphate, Ceteareth-2 Phosphate, Ceteareth-4

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